



SIGURD ANDERSON
GOVERNOR

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our nation is engaged in the task of mobilizing to meet requirements of defense and to maintain the civilian economy, and therefore has need to maintain and conserve its most important natural resource, the health of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, participation in sports by all Americans is a primary factor in the maintenance and conservation of this most important natural resource; and

WHEREAS, a statewide festival of sports to be held in conjunction with a nationwide festival of sports, will be a primary aid in the maintenance and conservation of health as well as providing wholesome fun and recreation which all people require; and

WHEREAS, such a program merits the support and cooperation of all South Dakota citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sigurd Anderson, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 11 to May 17, 1953, as the

MID-CENTURY FESTIVAL OF SPORTS

throughout the state of South Dakota, and request the support and cooperation of industry and labor, civic, fraternal, patriotic, women's, farm, veterans and other organizations and groups, as well as our citizens generally, in the observance of this occasion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 10th day of April, 1953.

ATTEST:

Sigurd Anderson
Governor

Geraldine Ostrout
Secretary of State

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